HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOMELAND SECURITY

327 House Office Building Wednesday 12:00 P.M. March 21, 2007

Representative Gino Polidori, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Polidori requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Polidori, Brown, Dean, Lemmons, Sheltrown, Emmons, Garfield, Pastor, Horn.

Absent: None.

Representative Dean moved to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2007 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

The Chair laid HB 4292 before the committee.

HB 4292 Espinoza Labor; fair employment practices; job security for returning military

personnel; provide for, and provide penalties for noncompliance.

Representative Espinoza, sponsor of **HB 4292,** explained his bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Brown offered the following amendment to HB 4292.

1. Amend page 2, line 4, after "WITHIN" by striking out "45" and inserting "90".

Representative Lemmons moved to adopt the amendment.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Polidori, Brown, Dean, Lemmons, Sheltrown, Emmons, Garfield, Pastor and Horn,

Nays: None, Pass: None.

The following testified in **support of HB 4292**.

Dan Crocker, representing the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)

Gary Aten, representing the Michigan Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve

Eric S. Wilson, representing himself

The following submitted testimony cards indicating **support for HB 4292** but did not wish to speak.

Patrick Lafferty, State Adjutant, representing the American Legion, Department of Michigan Michael L. Williams, representing the American Legion
Lino B. Pretto, representing the Military Order of The Purple Heart
Adrian A. Cervini, representing the Catholic War Veterans
Doug Williams, representing the Marine Corps League, Department of Michigan

The Chair placed the committee at ease at 12:30 p.m.

The Chair called the meeting back to order at 12:35 p.m.

Representative Brown moved to report with recommendation HB 4292 as substitute (H-1).

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 9-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Polidori, Brown, Dean, Lemmons, Sheltrown, Emmons, Garfield, Pastor and Horn,

Nays: None, Pass: None.

HB 4292 reported out as substitute (H-1), with recommendation.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **12:40 p.m.**

| Representative Gino Polidori Chair | Dave Mead |
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| | Committee Clerk |
| | March 21, 2007 |
| | 40 minutes |
| Date Approved and Signed | |